

REMARKS

Claims 29-38 and 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-59 are pending in this application.

Claim 34 has been canceled without prejudice and claims 29, 58 and 59 have been amended by the present Amendment. Amended claims 29, 58 and 59 do not introduce any new subject matter.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of (1) claims 29-36 and 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-59 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,610,822 ("Murphy") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,596,647 ("Wakai"), International Application Pub. No. WO 00/38951 ("Mathias"), and U.S. Patent No. 6,300,880 ("Sitnik"); (2) claim 37 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Murphy in view of Wakai, Mathias and Sitnik as applied to claim 29, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,311,302 ("Berry"); and (3) claim 38 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Murphy in view of Wakai, Mathias and Sitnik as applied to claim 29, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,243,645 ("Moteki").

Applicants respectfully submit that the cited references, when taken alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest that (1) an antenna of the vehicle is coupled to the signal processing facilities, the signal processing facilities receiving input signals from the antenna and outputting at least one of processed or converted signals to the video and audio buses, as essentially recited in amended claims 29 and 58, and (2) an antenna of the vehicle is coupled to the signal processing facilities, the signal processing facilities receiving input signals from the antenna and

outputting at least one of processed or converted signals to the audio bus, as essentially recited in amended claim 59.

For example, referring to Fig. 1A and paragraph 0041 of Applicants' disclosure, "[i]f satellite or other communication are desired, the antenna would likely be coupled to the signal processing/conversion facilities 127 which would perform functions such as demodulating, signal discrimination, and signal splitting, prior to providing the appropriate signal(s) (video and/or audio) to the appropriate reproduction device (display device 112 and/or wireless headphone sets 152, 154)."

In contrast to the claimed embodiments, Applicants respectfully submit that none of the cited references, either alone, or in combination, disclose the configuration of an antenna of the vehicle that is coupled to the signal processing facilities so that the signal processing facilities receive input signals from the antenna and output at least one of processed or converted signals to the video and/or audio buses.

For at least the above reasons, Applicants maintain that amended claims 29, 58 and 59 are patentable over the cited references.

For at least the reason that claims 30-38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-57 depend from claim 29, claims 30-38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-57 are also submitted to be patentable over the cited references.

As such, Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 29-38, 40-45, 48, 49 and 51-59 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

DEPENDENT CLAIMS

Applicants have not independently addressed the rejections of all the

dependent claims because Applicants submit that, in view of the amendments to the claims presented herein and, for at least similar reasons as why the independent claims from which the dependent claims depend are believed allowable as discussed, *supra*, the dependent claims are also allowable. Applicants however, reserve the right to address any individual rejections of the dependent claims should such be necessary or appropriate.

An early and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner may telephone Applicants' Attorney to reach a prompt disposition of this application.

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